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SUBJECT: SENIOR PAKISTANI OFFICIAL VISITS TURKEY IN CONNECTION
WITH CYPRUS

1. AGHA SHAHI, SECRETARY GENERAL OF THE PAKISTANI FONMIN, ARRIVED ANKARA EARLY AUGUST 22 AND PLANS TO LEAVE LATE AUGUST 23 ("PERHAPS FOR ATHENS," ACCORDING TO PAKISTANI EMBASSY OFFICER).

2. PAKISTANI EMBASSY FIRST SECRETARY S.M. NASIR TOLD EMBOFF AUGUST 23 THAT SHAHI VISIT WAS INTENDED AS A MEANS FOR LATTER TO BECOME THOROUGHLY BRIEFED ON CYPRUS CRISIS AND TO EXPRESS TO GOT PAKISTAN'S SUPPORT. HE SAW TURK FONMIN SECGEN EREZ AND OTHER SENIOR FONMIN OFFICIALS (FONMIN GUNES HAS SO FAR DURING SHAHI VISIT BEEN OUT OF TOWN WITH VISITING IRANIAN FONMIN KHALATBARI).
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ACCORDING TO NASIR, SHAHI HAS ALSO BEEN GIVEN LONG BRIEFINGS ON

CYPRUS SITUATION BY PAKISTANI AMBASSADOR SHEIKH.

3. HURRIYET, A MAJOR, BUT GENERALLY SENSATIONAL NEWSPAPER, REPORTS, AUGUST 23 THAT SHAHI OFFERED TURKEY SOME MIG'S AND THAT SHAHI WOULD GO FROM ANKARA TO ATHENS WITH MESSAGE FOR KARAMANLIS. ON LATTER POINT, NASIR SAID FINAL DECISION HAD NOT BEEN MADE, BUT ON SUBJECT OF MIG'S HE EMPHATICALLY DENIED THAT ANY SUCH OFFER HAD BEEN MADE TO TURKEY. NASIR TOLD EMBOFF THE ONLY SPECIFIC ASSISTANCE MENTIONED IN ANKARA CONVERSATIONS WAS PAKISTANI MEDICAL UNIT WHICH HAS BEEN IN SOUTHERN TURKEY HELPING CARE FOR WOUNDED TURKS RETURNING FROM CYPRUS. OTHERWISE, ACCORDING TO NASIR, SHAHI'S ONLY STATEMENT ABOUT ASSISTANCE WAS A VERY GENERAL ONE TO EFFECT THAT PAKISTAN PREPARED TO DO ALL THAT IS POSSIBLE TO ASSIST TURKEY DURING CYPRUS CRISIS.
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